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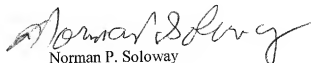
**REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY**

Dear Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed January 28, 2010 is at hand. Cipher 2 indicates the allowability of claim 73, however claim 73 was cancelled during prosecution.

Applicants respectfully request clarification of the Notice of Allowability.

Respectfully submitted,



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